

REMARKS

The Office Action states that the above-identified application contains the following species: Species I drawn to power parameter calculator and power estimator that determine switching power; Species II drawn to switching capacitance calculator, crossover current calculator, leakage current calculator, and power estimator that employ total switching capacitance, total crossover current, and total leakage current; and Species III drawn to determining switching power related parameters, leakage power related parameters, and total power estimate based on switching power related parameters and/or leakage power related parameters.

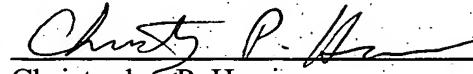
Applicant through its undersigned attorney elects Species III without traverse. The following claims are readable on the elected species III: Claims 18-25. Additionally, new claims 26-29 have been added that depend directly or indirectly from either claim 18 or 21. New claims 26-29 include similar elements of that recited in claims 13-14 of non-elected species II. Therefore, claims 13-17 of non-elected species II are now readable on the elected species III. Applicant's representative requests that claims 13-17 of non-elected species II be examined along with claims 18-29 of elected species III.

A substantive examination of the above-identified patent application on its merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at (216) 621-2234, Ext. 104.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fees due in connection with additional claims 26-29 to Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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